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Francisco Augusto Besosa

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1949
 Education: Brown U 1971 AB; Georgetown 1979 JD
 Began Service: October 2006
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Government: Assistant U.S. Attorney, United States Attorneys Office, United States Department of Justice (1983-1986)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Private Practice (1979-1983); Attorney, Private Practice (1986-2006)

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Jaime Pieras, Jr.

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1924
 Education: Catholic U 1945 BA; Georgetown 1948 JD
 Began Service: 1982
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
 Political Affiliation: Republican

Government: Attorney, Puerto Rico Convention Bureau

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1949-1982)

Military Service: United States Army (1946-1947); Military Intelligence United States Army Reserve, United States Department of Defense (1948)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; National Conference of Federal Trial Judges, American Bar Association; The District of Columbia Bar; Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Dwight D. Opperman Institute of Judicial Administration, New York University; Puerto Rican Bar Association

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Salvador E. Casellas

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1935
 Education: Georgetown 1957 BS; Puerto Rico 1960 LLB; Harvard 1961 LLM
 Began Service: November 1, 1994
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Government: Secretary of the Treasury, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (1973-1976); Civilian Aide, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Gerald Ford Administration (1985-1989)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Fiddler Gonzalez & Rodriguez, P.S.C. (1962-1972); Attorney, Fiddler Gonzalez & Rodriguez, P.S.C. (1977-1994)

Military Service: United States Army (1961-1962); United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army (1963-1967); Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army, United States Army (1985-1989)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Puerto Rico Chapter, Federal Bar Association; Puerto Rican Academy of Jurisprudence

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Juan M. Pérez-Giménez

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1941
 Education: Puerto Rico 1963 BA; George Washington 1965 MBA; Puerto Rico 1968 LLB
 Began Service: 1979
 Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Government: Assistant U.S. Attorney, Puerto Rico District, Executive Office for United States Attorneys, United States Department of Justice (1971-1975)

Judicial: Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico (1975-1979)

Legal Practice: Associate, Goldman, Antonetti & Davila (1968-1971)

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 Term Expires: 2011

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Justo Arenas

Chief Magistrate Judge

Note: Chief Magistrate Judge Justo Arenas will retire from the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico effective April 8, 2011.

Date of Birth: 1946
 Education: CCNY 1968 BBA; Puerto Rico 1974 JD
 Began Service: April 1981
 Term Expires: April 2013

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Caribbean Center for Advanced Studies (1997); Adjunct Professor, Caribbean Center for Advanced Studies (1999)

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Juan R. Torruella, United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico (1976-1978)

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, District of Puerto Rico, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1978-1981)

Judicial: Temporary Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire (1992-1993)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1975)

Military Service: United States Army (1968-1970)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association

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Camille L. Velez-Rive

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: February 5, 1968
 Education: Puerto Rico JD
 Began Service: March 22, 2004
 Term Expires: March 2012

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Bruce J. McGiverin

Magistrate Judge

Began Service: January 2007
 Term Expires: 2015

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Marcos E. Lopez

Magistrate Judge

Began Service: 2007
 Term Expires: 2015

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Sara E. de Jesús

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
 Education: Puerto Rico 1975 JD; Miami 1978 LLM
 Began Service: 1986
 Term Expires: 2014

Affiliation: Bankruptcy Judge, Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge Sara E. de Jesús, United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the First Circuit

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Jose V. Toledo, United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico; Law Clerk The Honorable Gilberto Gierbolini, United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico (1974-1976)

Government: Administrative Law Judge, Social Security Administration, United States Department of Health and Human Services

Legal Practice: Associate, Jimenez & Fuste; Partner, Brown, Newsom & Cordova

Current Memberships: Maritime Law Association of the United States; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; Puerto Rican Bankruptcy Bar Association; Puerto Rican Bar Association

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